



John Clayton, Assistant Secretary
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Meet John Clayton

John Clayton, Juvenile Justice and Rehabilitation Administration Assistant Secretary, led the Department's Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration from April 2007 until his current appointment in February 2013.

John oversees Juvenile Rehabilitation institutions, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Special Commitment Center for violent sexual predators on McNeil Island in Puget Sound.

Under his leadership, the Department continues to implement evidence-based treatment and continues to address the disproportional impact on youth of color in the juvenile justice system.

The broader duties John has taken on with Vocational Rehabilitation and the Special Commitment Center match his simple, guiding philosophy that John brings to work every day:

"Be bold, never fail to act, keep your promises and make a difference."

Prior to JRA, John directed the Community Services Division of the DSHS Economic Services Administration.

"Working with both youth and families improves the chances of turning behaviors around so the young men and women can lead satisfying and productive lives."

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